ind memory and understanding and that he Subscribed his name as an Evidence to this
Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator — Sworn to before and Certified
by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid.

Thos. Jones

# In the name of God amen

his fourth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and
eventy two I Jarvis Biddison of the County of Baltimore in the Province of
Maryland Planter being sick and weak in body but being sound of perfect mind and
emory and calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all
en once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and
rm following that is to say —

mprimis I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Mary Biddison three slaves viz.t
bigail Phebe and George during her natural life and after her Decease the three
eforementioned Slaves and their increase to be equally divided between my children
alathiel Elizabeth Daniel an Jeremiah Biddison to them and their heirs forever Item
give and bequeath unto my beloved wife aforesaid one horse a mare a plough and
arness two Cows two calves six ewes and four of the best hogs and her choice of a
reeding Sow one feather bed and furniture and all the fowles of all kinds on the plantation
be at her Disposal —

tem I give and bequeath unto my well beloved daughter Salathiel a negro wench named
Rachel with her and her increase to her and her heirs lawfully begotten of her body
nd the first child that the said Rachel has or shall have after it arrives to the age
f four years to go to the use and behoof of the eldest child Mary Eagleston belonging
and Daughter of Salathiel Biddison her maiden name also I give my daughter
alathiel Crosby one Cow and calf four ewes it is also my Desire that the negroes I
ive to my grandaughter Mary Eagleston shall belong to her heirs lawfully begotten
f her and born in Wedlock —

tem I give and it is my Desire the second child born of the above said Rachel shall
elong to my grandaughter Charity Eagleston to her and her heirs lawfully begotten
nd born in Wedlock after I also give to my two grandaughters Mary & Charity
agleston to each of them a two year old heifer and my Desire and Will is that both
he negroes and the heifers may be paid to my said grandaughters at the age of six-
teen years or at the day of marriage —

tem I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Daniel Biddison a negro
oy named Ezekiel and one negro girl named Lucy and all her increase to him
nd his heirs forever lawfully begotten of his body a feather bed and bedstead furniture
nd Cord one cow and calf two ewes one breeding sow and one mare but the first

Colt



Colt that shall come from the said Mare shall be the property and belong to my son Jeremiah and
his heirs —

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Elizabeth a negro girl named Prudence to her and her
heirs lawfully begotten and born in Wedlock forever also one Cow and calf two ewes one feather bed
and furniture bedstead and Cord also a linen wheel to be paid to her my said Daughter Elizabeth at the
age of sixteen or the day of marriage Item I give to my said Daughter Elizabeth a negro boy named
Joshua begotten of the body of a negro wench named Phebe to her and her heirs forever lawfully
begotten of her body also a Loom for weaving with all the utensils belonging thereto my Will and
and Desire is that the Loom and utensils may be for the use of her mother as well as her self
during her mothers natural life and then to be her own property and Disposal also one Cow and calf
and four ewes to her and her heirs —

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Jeremiah Biddison one negro girl named
Abigail also a negro girl named Nell to him and his heirs for ever lawfully begotten of his body
also two Ewes and one breeding Sow all to be paid to him at the day of marriage or at the age of
eighteen years also a feather bed and furniture bedstead and Cord —

Item I give and bequeath unto my two sons Daniel and Jeremiah Biddison all my tract of land
called Biddisons Neck to be divided in two parts by a line drawn from the head of the longcove
if it will answer and be agreeable to a bounded white Oak Stump being the second tree of a
tract of land called and known by the name of Timber and my Will and Desire is that my son
Daniel may have the first choice the said land to be equally Divided and Appropriated to the
only use and behoof of the said Daniel and Jeremiah Biddison to them and their heirs for ever
to continue from heir to heir as long as the name and of the name of Thomas Biddison or
of his blood by proof can be found —

Item I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid grandaughters Mary and Charity Eagleston
fifteen pounds each of them Currency to be paid on the day of marriage or at the age of sixteen
years and the money to remain in the hands of my Executors or managers for said use and my
Will and Desire is that all the crop of Corn now in the house may be taken care of by my
Managers and appropriated to the use of my family by my Executors or mangers hereafter
mentioned —

Item it is my Will and Desire that in case of failure of heirs and that the name and blood of the
Biddisons and heirs of Thomas Biddison should ever be extinguished and then should be none
of the name or blood of the said Thomas Biddison Sen.r cannot be found then my Will and
Desire is that all my Lands shall be appropriated to the use of the Crown of Great Britain as
for the publick benefit of mankind —

Item my Will and Desire is that fifty bushels of my Wheat now in hand may be taken and sold
by my Executor hereafter mentioned for the use of Daniel Standbury at seven shillings p.r bushel
Currency and what remains over and above the seven shillings p.r bushel or if it sells for more
p.r bushel then the overplus to be for the use and advantage of my Executor or seller of the
wheat that is left and remaining after the fifty bushels is appropriated to the use of Daniel
Standbury that ten bushels of the said remaing wheat be given and appropriated to the use of
my